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Lois G. Lerner, Acting General Counsel Office of the General Counsel Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW 6th Floor Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5183, Gore/Lieberman, Inc. and Jose Villarreal, as Treasurer

Dear Ms. Lerner:

This letter is on behalf of our client, Gore/Lieberman, Inc. (the "Committee") and Jose Villarreal, as Treasurer, requesting an extension of time to respond to the complaint in the above-captioned matter.

The committee is seeking an additional twenty (20) days to respond to this matter due to the fact that both Counsel for the Committee will be out of town on previously scheduled travel over the next two weeks. In addition, the volume of the attachments to this complaint, as well as the need to locate former staff members who may possess knowledge as to the allegations made, requires the Committee to request this additional time to prepare an adequate response. As a result, we request that the response in this matter be due May 3, 2001.

Thank you for your attention to this request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact John Robinson, Assistant Counsel to the Committee at 202-912-9256.

Sincerely,

Eric Kleinfeld Lyn Utrecht

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